

# THE STEWARD

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2022

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“Where Your Treasure Is,  
There Your Heart Shall Be.”

BY SCOTT ARKENBERG, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY



As the new kid on the block, so to speak, I was honored to be able to be asked to share some of my thoughts with you this weekend. Believe it or not, this is a most daunting task but one that I find doable if I trust the Spirit, and, of course, my heart.

The above words from today's Gospel serve as the refrain from a very special song written by Marty Haugen. It has always been one of my favorites. Bear with me a bit as I share the words of the refrain with you.

*“Where your treasure is, there your heart shall be.  
All that you possess will never set you free.  
Seek the things that last; come and learn from me.  
Where your treasure is, your heart shall be.”*

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Six years ago I was hit by a car walking across the street in a marked crosswalk. It was in the middle of the afternoon on a clear day. But, for whatever reason, the driver did not see me and accelerated into me on his turn. I jumped on the hood of his car, smashing my head on the windshield. He was stunned; I was motionless lying in the middle of the road in the most horrific pain I had ever experienced.

I was taken by ambulance to Illinois Masonic and spent three full days in their Trauma Unit experiencing the most amazing and professional care. The nurses, the trauma physicians, the plastic surgeon on staff (38 stitches on my

face) all took care to get me to healing. The paramedics even came back to check on me later that night. I was embraced by their care and their professionalism, but also by their heart.

While I was healing, I had a lot of time on my hands. The parish felt that I needed to take an extended amount of time to get better and so they hired someone to take over for me for the next 5 months! I had a LOT of time on my hands.

My deep rooted faith in God kept me centered. After all, it was God's will that I survived that accident. Many pedestrians hit by a car do not survive and, if they do, they are disabled. But why was I still alive? I asked that question every day when I woke up in the morning---what is your plan, God? What are you needing me for?

As days turned into weeks and weeks turned into months, I grew deeper in my faith and my trust in God. I was helped in that conviction by my first-grade teacher, Sister Margaret, who by the way taught here at Saint Ben's for many years. And I was supported and helped by the many priests of this great Archdiocese who listened to my cares, worries and concerns. I had lots of time so I had lots of time to pray and open my heart and soul. My friends and family supported me throughout as well. I was a very blessed man. As the attending physician said on several occasions: Scott, it truly is a miracle that you survived!

That Easter, I drove to Longmont, CO to take part in a friend's Triduum and Easter services. I was asked to have my feet washed at the Holy Thursday liturgy, something

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I had only experienced from the outside.....but this time I experienced it from the inside as a participant. It was a grace filled moment for me. I realized I was a very blessed man! And I knew that this would not have happened if it wasn't for the accident.

I helped out at several shelters during this time and even got involved in a Northside program to help felons get back on their feet. Every moment was grace filled for me. Every person I met and was able to help, actually helped me. Through it all, I realized that I needed to trust God in everything that I did. And, more importantly, to be grateful for the many treasures that were bestowed on me through his grace and love. Knowing that I was embraced. My heart was filled and I realized what was really important, faith, hope and love; family and friends and music that could touch the heart strings of those I ministered to at church.

## PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND JAN 30 - FEB 8, 2023

*"For we saw His star in the east, and have come to worship Him."*  
(Matthew 2:2)

You're invited to join Fr. Steve Kanonik (Pastor, St. Benedict), Deacons Mike McManus (St. Edward) and Bill Frere (Mary, Undoer of Knots, St. Kateri Center) as we visit the places where Jesus was born, preached, died and rose.

We'll celebrate Mass each day at one of the churches that recall the events of Jesus' life, renew our baptismal vows in the Jordan, marriage vows in Cana, sail on the Sea of Galilee and carry a cross through the streets of Jerusalem. Check out the details: <https://bit.ly/3OskBcN>

For additional information, contact Deacon Mike ([m\\_mcmanus@yahoo.com](mailto:m_mcmanus@yahoo.com)) or Deacon Bill ([wfrere@archchicago.org](mailto:wfrere@archchicago.org)).



## Music for August 6/7

**Entrance:** Gather Us In (W 836)

**Gloria:** Mass of Redemption, Janco

**Readings:** W 1165

**Psalm:** Ps. 33, Let Your Mercy Be on Us (W 45)

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia in C (W 329)

**Offertory:** Instrumental Music

**Holy, Holy, Holy:** Mass of Creation (W 365)

**Memorial Acclamation B:** Mass of Creation (W 366)

**Amen:** Mass of Creation (W 367)

**Lamb of God:** Holy Cross Mass (W 381)

**Communion Processional:** No Greater Love (W 698)

**Recessional:** Sing a New Song to the Lord (W 629)

## ST. BENEDICT'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 15052 WILL HAVE ITS NEXT MEETING ON 11 SEPTEMBER IN BEAVEN HALL AFTER THE 10:00 MASS.



*Did you know:* The Knights of Columbus all started when a parish priest wanted to help Catholic families. The year was 1882 and anti-Catholic sentiment was running high.

Catholic immigrants faced hostility and were thrown into dangerous work conditions which could cause early deaths. So 29-year-old Father Michael McGivney gathered the men of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn., to establish a lay organization.

The goal? To unite men of Catholic faith and provide for the families of deceased members.



SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER.

## REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IS NOW OPEN!

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## CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

On the weekend of August 19th-21st, NorthCenter's Ribfest is back and we have an opportunity to help our local chamber of commerce and benefit as well. NorthCenter Chamber of Commerce's grant program over the years has provided organizations with a contribution from the profits made at Ribfest for groups who provide volunteers for this event.

Our school has received thousands of dollars over the years to help with tuition scholarships and programs such as our H.S. Protégé Program. We have this opportunity again this year if we can help fill two shifts: Sunday August 21st early shift 11:30-3:00 p.m. and Sunday late shift from 5:15-10:15 p.m. Volunteers can be middle school age and older to assist at the gate and family area or over 21 for other areas. Volunteer form can be downloaded from the QR code (above) or found at the church entrances or at the rectory and school offices. Hope you can join in making Ribfest a success and helping our school at the same time.



Please fill out the Volunteer form and drop off at the Rectory or School office during business hours. Questions: Please call Mr. Accardi at (773)509-3832 or email to [jaccardi@stbenedict.com](mailto:jaccardi@stbenedict.com).

## Important Back-to-School Dates:

### AUGUST 2022

Preshool Parent Orientation - 8/17  
6th grade and New MS Parent  
Virtual Orientation- 8/17  
New Family Night - 8/18

Kindergarten Orientation - 8/23  
Grades 1-8 1st Day of School - 8/23  
Kindergarten 1st Day of School - 8/24  
Preschool 1st Day of School - 8/25

### SEPTEMBER 2022

Parent Mixer - 9/9  
Baby & Kids Green Garage Sale - 9/17  
HSA Fun Run - 9/23  
Oktoberfest - 9/30-10/2



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# Oktoberfest '22

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August 7, 2022

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 18:6-9 | Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or Heb 11:1-2, 8-12 |  
Lk 12:32-48 or Lk 12:35-40

### **GROW** AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

I remember the first time I moved: A suitcase or two fit in the back of my dad's lime-green Delta 88 as my parents dropped me off at college. Four years later, it took that plus a large black chest. The next move required a U-Haul; then came marriage, a family, and a moving van. I may not store my treasure in barns like the man in last week's readings, but at times it feels that way. It's natural to accumulate more "stuff" as we grow older. But in today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that we won't take any of it with us when we make the move to our final destination. Rather than focus on our possessions, he encourages us to be vigilant, remain faithful, and live in service to others. In doing so, we will store up "an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy. For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."

### **GO** EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Few things throw me into a panic like unexpected company. I have taken to at least cleaning the kitchen counter and bathrooms before going on a trip so the house will look presentable should something befall me and others have to come in with food or aid! We truly do not know the day or the hour, and the Gospel today encourages us to apply a little of that spring cleaning to our souls. Each day presents a new opportunity to prepare for the day we meet Jesus. If we've been out of touch, we can get reacquainted through prayer. If we feel weighed down by things we've done or said, we can bring them to the Lord through the sacrament of reconciliation. We can witness to our belief in God's promise of eternal life by putting people above possessions and supporting one another as we seek to live as Jesus taught us.

**ACTION** Today's psalm response is: "Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own." Count your blessings and write a few of them down, giving thanks to God for each of them.



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## Sunday, Aug 07, 2022

### Tap into the power of faith

"The power of faith is enormous," Church Father Cyril of Jerusalem declared. "It is so great that it not only saves the believer: thanks to one person's faith others are saved also." But what does it mean to have this special power? Faith isn't about believing items listed in a creed. It's not about acceding to doctrines or to church authorities. Faith means trusting in God the way a child takes the hand of a beloved guardian and allows herself to be led in perfect confidence. "All shall be well," Julian of Norwich avowed. Share this faith that "all manner of things shall be well."

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Wisdom 18:6-9; Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Luke 12:32-48 (117). *"Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen."*

## Monday, Aug 08, 2022

### Kick off your shoes

You may have seen the term *discalced* before—in the names of some religious orders, such as the Discalced Carmelites—and wondered what it meant. It comes from Latin for "unshod," or barefoot. Members of discalced orders go barefoot or wear sandals only. It was started by Saint Francis of Assisi, and his contemporary Saint Dominic traveled extensively by foot without shoes. Dominic didn't believe he'd convert many people if he was wearing shoes because authentic humility, poverty, and penance was as persuasive as his famous preaching. How do you walk the talk as a follower of Christ?

MEMORIAL OF DOMINIC, PRIEST, FOUNDER

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 1:2-5, 24-28c; Matthew 17:22-27 (413). *"Go to the sea, drop in a hook, and take the first fish that comes up."*

## Tuesday, Aug 09, 2022

### Never forget

The United Nations designates today International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples. It's also the feast day of Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, murdered in the Nazi Holocaust. Teresa Benedicta—a Jewish convert to Catholicism and Carmelite nun—is considered a Christian martyr, but it was her Jewish ancestry that caused her to be gassed at Auschwitz with countless others on this date in 1942. At her canonization Pope John Paul II chose words that also pertain to marginalized indigenous populations: "I raise an anguished cry: May such criminal deeds never be repeated against any ethnic group, against any race, in any corner of this world!" Pray that this be so.

MEMORIAL OF TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS, MARTYR

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 2:8-3:4; Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 (414). *"See that you do not despise one of these little ones."*

## Wednesday, Aug 10, 2022

### Seek the treasure that lasts forever

On this day in AD 258, Saint Lawrence was born in Roman Hispania. He followed the future Pope Sixtus II to Rome and was ordained a deacon after the pope's election in 257. Lawrence would serve as a treasurer in the cathedral for roughly a year before Emperor Valerian ordered all Christian clergy killed. The pope was murdered during Mass in 258, and Lawrence—ordered to hand over the church's money—gave away as much as he could before bringing the sick and the poor to the prefect instead,

calling them the "true treasures of the Church." He was swiftly executed thereafter. We would all do well to model his faithful resistance to evil and service to the needy.

FEAST OF LAWRENCE, DEACON, MARTYR

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26 (618). *"He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever."*

## Thursday, Aug 11, 2022

### Focus on essentials, not the extras

Today is the memorial of Saint Clare, founder of the Poor Clares. Although raised in a noble family, inspired by Saint Francis, Clare zealously embraced asceticism. As the 21-year-old superior of a new religious order in the Franciscan tradition, she called for her sisters to forego shoes, meat, money, and even most conversation. While to modern Christians these practices seem harsh, Clare points the way toward a stripped-down life, laser-focused on God and unity with the poor. In the spirit of Saint Clare, we might ask ourselves if our pursuit of creature comforts sometimes separates us from God or from those in need.

MEMORIAL OF CLARE, ABBESS, FOUNDER

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 12:1-12; Matthew 18:21-19:1 (416). *"How often must I forgive . . . ? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, 'I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.'"*

## Friday, Aug 12, 2022

### Look on the bright side

Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, founder of the Visitation order of nuns, advised her followers to let go chronic guilt: "We must never dwell on our sins during prayer. Regarding our offenses, a simple humbling of our soul before God, without a thought of this offense or that, is enough." Accept your imperfections (you're human!) and take a moment to feel gratitude for the good in your life.

MEMORIAL OF JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL, FOUNDER

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Matthew 19:3-12 (417). *"I pardon you for all you have done, says the Lord GOD."*

## Saturday, Aug 13, 2022

### Make it a policy to help the widowed and orphaned

When Blessed Father Michael McGivney was a parish priest in Connecticut 150 years ago, he was moved by the plight of migrant families where the breadwinner had died and left a widow and young children without resources. In 1882 he founded the Knights of Columbus, a Catholic fraternal organization, to support these struggling families. McGivney devised an insurance plan for the Knights to administer that would pay families a death benefit.

Today that insurance company is still going strong with more than 2 million policies representing \$100 billion in coverage.

McGivney's feast day is today. Pray for his canonization.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Matthew 19:13-15 (418). *"Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the Kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."*

*Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time*



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# Masses for the Week

## First Saturday, August 6 - The Transfiguration of the Lord

8:30AM Special Intention for Carmen M. Clarin  
5PM Henretta Gunsaulley - *Melody Davis*  
Michael Bartley - *Ron and Christa O'Keefe*  
Mike Kathalynas - *Your Cousins, Dick, Eva, Steve, and Mike*  
Maureen Black - *The Hauser Family*

## Sunday August 7 - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8AM Gloria C. Recede - *Family*  
Francisco Fortunado - *Cordy Fortunado*  
10AM Danilo Belicena - *Sally Sobrepena - Belicena*  
Anita Fernandez - *Sally Sobrepena - Belicena*  
Kelley Halper - *Ken and Pat Woodhouse*  
Betty Anderson - *The St. Benedict Parish Community*  
12PM Margaret Maree - *Friends of Jeanette Ruby*  
Carmen Alizea and Carmen Leticia  
Samuel M. Clarin, Jr. - *Connie Goloso and Family*

## Monday, August 8 - Saint Dominic, Priest

8:30AM Margaret Maggie Maree - *Friend*  
Eulogio, Teodoro Jr., and Florita Yangco - *Family*

## Tuesday, August 9 - Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr

8:30AM Corazon de Jesus Marasigan - *Juan Marasigan*

## Wednesday, August 10 - Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

8:30AM Kelley Halper - *Rob and Ann Marie Walker*

## Thursday, August 11 - Saint Clare, Virgin

8:30AM Aurora and Federico Jundos - *Julie Mojica*

## Friday, August 12 - Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

8:30AM Bruna Martolini - *Gloria and Family*

## Saturday, August 13 - Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

8:30AM Special Intention for Lin Sookdee - *Family*  
Special Intention for Ramon Consing  
Mrs. C. Tan Chan - *The Siao Family*  
Delly Chanyungco - *Family*  
5PM Carl Dominik - *Sharon and Don Wilson*  
John, Ann, and Mary McDonagh - *Family*  
Kelley Halper - *Marge Lawlor*

## Sunday August 14 - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8AM John A. Hauser - *The Suh-Hauser Families*  
Special Intention for Ariya Schmookler - *Family*  
Eusebia and Francisco Jumao-As, Sr. - *Cordy Fortunado*  
Francisco Fortunado - *Tessie and Daisy*  
10AM Francisca Reyes, Victor D. Goite, and Nicholas Goite - *The Goite and Reyes Family*  
Kelley Halper - *The St. Benedict Parish Community*  
Edward "Jerry" Byrne - *The St. Benedict Parish Community*  
Justino Goloso - *Connie Goloso and Family*  
12PM Ivan Gonzalez (Class of '20) - *The St. Benedict Alumni Office*  
Edward Raliski - *Tricia Gollehon*



## Baptisms

Nicolas Ismael Jorges, son of Peter Jorges and Sidney Burns

## Please Pray for Healing

Please call the Rectory at (773) 588-6484 to add your name or the name of an immediate family member for whom you would like the parish to pray for healing. The name of the person will appear quarterly unless otherwise instructed at the time the request is made.

Beverly Berganos Johnson	Karen Mocarski
Carol Brimstin	Ronald O'Keefe
Carmen M. Clarin	Colleen O'Keefe Wiora
Frank Flesch	Corazon Pizarro
Judy Gumler	Julie Raheja-Perera
Anne Hoellich	Alex Sandoval
Marilyn Jerger	Cecilia Fell Schott
Mark Jerger	(Class of 72)
Charlene Johnson	Bill Shaver
Patricia Ann King	Karen Sheehan
Jackson James Limburg	Jim Strzalka
Ken McFadden	Leda Wildner

## Comic Corner



"If I send my prayer as a text message, will I get a faster reply?"

# Human Concerns

## Where are your boundaries? Part I

From The Domestic Violence Outreach Team of St Benedict Parish

When was the last time you thought about your personal boundaries?

### How to both determine and voice your personal boundaries in relationships

Boundaries are the non-negotiable lines that our partner cannot cross in order for us to feel respected and safe in a relationship. Boundaries keep us intact, and we should know and express them no matter how new, or not new, a relationship is. Boundaries protect our personal goals, dreams, values, autonomy and self-worth. If you haven't thought about where your own boundaries stand, there's no better time than the present.

### What Boundaries Look Like

**Physical Boundaries:** Your body is your own; no one else's. Think about the timeline that makes you feel comfortable for being physical in a relationship. How far do you want to go on the first date or at any stage of a relationship? Also, as LoveisRespect.org points out, "*sex isn't currency.*" You should not feel pressured to exchange sex for dinner out at a restaurant or because your partner says he or she loves you. Your boundary for when you're comfortable with sex should be firm and stated clearly if there's any confusion. Physical boundaries also extend to violent behavior. Most of us probably have a no tolerance policy when it comes to violence. But if your partner thinks a playful shove or aggressive bedroom behavior is no big deal, and it makes you uncomfortable, this must be addressed.

**Emotional Boundaries:** Just like your body, your emotions are yours. No one else can tell you what you should be feeling at any given moment. Your boundaries here may just be asserting that you feel a certain emotion, such as sadness or guilt or joy, and you don't appreciate when someone else tries to dissuade you from that emotion.

Perhaps your boundary is emotional separation; in other words, you don't want to be responsible for someone else's happiness. Or, your boundary is when you're comfortable expressing intimate emotions with your partner, such as saying "*I love you,*" or "*I'm ready to be exclusive.*"

**Material Boundaries:** Sure, you were taught to share your things as a child, but as an adult, when and how you share your material belongings is up to you. Do you feel comfortable lending your partner your car, your phone or money? If so, what are your conditions for doing so?

**Spiritual Boundaries:** Think of how comfortable you are in sharing your faith-based beliefs with others and whether or not you're open to sharing different beliefs that your partner may have. This is up to you.

**Mental Boundaries:** Are your opinions or thoughts easily swayed by others? If so, you may have a hard time standing your ground, which means you should give some thought to your mental boundaries.



### Creating Boundaries, Finding Your Voice

While we may know what are boundaries are in our minds, writing them down, saying them out loud and enforcing them in a relationship can often be a challenge.

**But, why?** Irene van der Zande, author of Relationship Safety Skills, says that internalized beliefs, such as "*It's not worth it,*" "*I have no right,*" or "*It's dangerous to say no,*" can be one reason we talk ourselves out of setting personal boundaries. She also cites a longing to belong, wishing to be accepted or loved, a fear of rejection or growing up in a home where boundary-setting was not allowed, can also make us afraid to speak up. However, "*Safe and strong relationships start from a foundation of understanding appropriate boundaries,*" she writes. Therefore, taking time to create written boundaries and overcoming fears about speaking up are often vital to having a healthy, equal relationship.

**Next Week: Examples of Boundaries**

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# Coming Up at St. Ben's | August 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>7</b> <b>19th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Mass at 8am, 10am, and 12pm Church	<b>8</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church	<b>9</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Cross Country Summer Conditioning 6pm Horner Park  Parish Commission Meeting 7pm Beaven Hall	<b>10</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  AA Group Meeting 8pm Beaven Hall	<b>11</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Cross Country Summer Conditioning 6pm Horner Park	<b>12</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church	<b>13</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Reconciliation 11am Church  Mass at 5pm Church  <b>Class of 1970 Reunion 6pm Courtyard</b>
<b>14</b> <b>20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Mass at 8am, 10am, and 12pm Church	<b>15</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church	<b>16</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Cross Country Summer Conditioning 6pm Horner Park	<b>17</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Preschool Orientation 5pm Gym  AA Group Meeting 8pm Beaven Hall	<b>18</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Cross Country Summer Conditioning 6pm Horner Park	<b>19</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church	<b>20</b> Daily Morning Mass 8:30am Church  Reconciliation 11am Church  Mass at 5pm Church

## Sunday Giving



There won't be a weekly/YTD stewardship report for a couple weeks as we close up the books on our fiscal year that ended on June 30, and transition to the new fiscal year. We saw an increase in online donations in the last few days of June - thanks to everyone who logged in to GiveCentral to ensure that their contribution schedules were on track! If you need assistance checking yours, please feel free to contact

Jeanne Anderson (janderson@stbenedict.com or 773.588.6484 x5109.) Thank you for your continuing support of St. Benedict Parish and Preparatory School.

We've now reached the end of our fiscal year. Currently, we're projecting a deficit of more than \$65,000 for our combined offertory collections. Reasons for this are many, including church attendance that's still in COVID-recovery mode, as well as inflation and economic uncertainties.

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# Parish Information

If you are visiting, we hope you enjoy your stay. We're glad you decided to join us in this celebration. If you are new to the St. Ben's community, welcome home! **To become a registered parishioner, complete a Registration Form on our website: [parish.stbenedict.com](http://parish.stbenedict.com).** One of our Ministers of Hospitality will be glad to assist you. If you are a former parishioner or a graduate of our schools, we are glad to see you back home. We hope you will return often. Contact Joe Accardi, Director of Alumni Relations at [jaccardi@stbenedict.com](mailto:jaccardi@stbenedict.com). Our weekly bulletin, The Steward, tells you about parish life. Submissions for the bulletin are generally due by Friday at 9 am of the week previous to publication. Electronic submissions are preferred via e-mail to [bulletin@stbenedict.com](mailto:bulletin@stbenedict.com). Flyers should be submitted in camera-ready format and will be used if space permits. If you would like to receive our online weekly newsletter-"The Block", please contact the rectory to be placed on our emailing list. If you have any questions, please call the rectory at (773) 588-6484. We look forward to hearing from you.



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### MASSES AND SERVICES

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